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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1.(cancelled) A manicuring appliance comprising an elongated member having first and second ends, said first end being adapted to receive a pushing member in a position to push a cuticle along an accurate path.

2.(cancelled) The appliance as in claim 1 wherein said first and second ends are each adapted to attach to said elongated member.

3.(cancelled) The appliance as in claim 1 wherein said pushing member is removable.

4.(cancelled) The appliance as in claim 1 wherein said pushing member comprises an arcuate edge and said edge is at the bottom of an arcuate surface.

5.(cancelled) A cuticle appliance comprising a handle member and at least one end member, said end member having at least one pusher for pushing a cuticle along an arcuate path.

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6.(cancelled) The cuticle appliance recited in claim 5 wherein said pusher is configured for removal and replacement.

7.(cancelled) The cuticle appliance recited in claim 5 wherein said end member is detachable from said handle member.

8.(cancelled) A manicuring appliance for removing cuticle skin from around nails, the appliance comprising:

an elongated handle having a length exceeding its width and having at least one end having a blade, said blade having a cutting edge for removing cuticle skin;

at least a portion of said blade cutting edge being oriented substantially perpendicular to both the length and width of said handle; and

a pusher affixed to a second end of said handle and having an arcuate edge for pushing cuticles.

9.(cancelled) The manicuring appliance recited in claim 11 wherein said pusher is detachable from said handle for replacement.

10.(cancelled) A manicuring appliance for removing cuticle skin from around nails, the appliance comprising:

an elongated handle having a length exceeding its width and having at least one end having a pair of spaced apart parallel blade edges for removing cuticle skin;

at least a portion of said blade edges being oriented substantially perpendicular to both the length and width of said handle; and

a pusher affixed to a second end of said handle and having an arcuate edge for pushing cuticles.

11.(cancelled) The manicuring appliance recited in claim 10 wherein said pusher is detachable from said handle for replacement.

12.(cancelled) An apparatus for use in a manicuring appliance for trimming dead skin from cuticles by cutting along an arcuate path with a blade edge; the apparatus comprising:

a blade-holding device having a blade receiving member and being configured for releasable connection to a handle; and

at least one blade positioned in said blade receiving member and having an edge for cutting along said arcuate path; and

a pusher for preparing cuticles for cutting by said at least one blade.

13.(cancelled) A manicuring appliance comprising:

an elongated handle having a transparent end portion having at least one pusher for pushing cuticle tissue; and

an illuminating device positioned for projecting light through said end portion for illuminating said cuticle pushing.

14.(cancelled) A manicuring appliance comprising:

an elongated handle having a detachable end portion, said end portion having at least one pusher for pushing cuticle tissue;

said handle having at least one release lever for detaching said end portion from said handle.

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15.(cancelled) The manicuring appliance recited in claim 14 wherein said pusher is made of a polycarbonate plastic material.

16.(cancelled) The manicuring appliance recited in claim 14 wherein said pusher has an arcuate pushing edge.

17.(cancelled) The manicuring appliance recited in claim 14 wherein said pusher has an elevated pushing edge.

18.(cancelled) The manicuring appliance recited in claim 14 wherein said pusher has a pushing edge that is elevated at an angle of about 15° relative to said handle.

19.(newly presented) A manicure cutting implement comprising a metal sheet, said sheet being folded along a first axis, said sheet having an opening along said axis, said opening being of a geometry to define first and second space apart cutting edges along said axis, said implement also including means for moving said implement along said axis.

20.(newly presented) A manicure cutting implement as in claim 19 wherein said means comprises an extension configured for releasable attachment to a handle.

21.(newly presented) A manicure cutting implement as in claim 19 wherein said means comprises an extension permanently attached to a handle.

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22.(newly presented) A manicure cutting implement as in claim 20 wherein said opening is symmetrical along said first axis and defines a second axis normal to said first axis, said extension being perpendicular to both said first and second axes.

23.(newly presented) A manicure cutting implement as in claim 19 wherein said means comprises a geometric configuration of said sheet for accepting a handle.

24.(newly presented) Apparatus comprising a thin planar metal sheet having first and second opposing edges and a center line, said sheet including a cutout along said center line, said sheet being contoured out of plane at spaced apart cutting faces along said center line.

25.(newly presented) Apparatus as in claim 24 including an extension of said sheet from said first edge.

26.(newly presented) Apparatus as in claim 25 wherein said extension is adapted for releasable connection to a handle.

27.(newly presented) Apparatus as in claim 25 wherein said extension is permanently connected to a handle.

28.(newly presented) Apparatus as in claim 24 also including hand held means for moving said apparatus along said center line.